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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed February 10, 2005, asserting that the claims of the Amendment were not presented in ascending numerical order, Applicant notes that the claims of the Amendment filed January 14, 2005, were in fact presented in ascending numerical order. However, a complete listing of all of the claims was not present. Applicant assumes that this was the actual reason that the Amendment was held to be non-compliant and herewith submits a revised **Amendment to the Claims** section that lists all the claims in ascending numerical order, thus bringing the Amendment into compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.